

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing the 200th anniversary of the Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church.

Whereas, Although some early history remains lost, current members of the Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church mark their historical beginning when the original members met at a private home in 1812;

Whereas, The Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church grew rapidly from the outset, increasing its congregation from nine to 29 in three years;

Whereas, By 1823, there were 75 people belonging to the church, and records showed 204 people were members in 1963,

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averaging between 80 to 100 members in other years;

Whereas, The Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church has survived many challenges;

Whereas, The congregation has learned through old records that the church first occupied a building on Copeland Ridge on land that was sold to the church for \$1 and by 1838 included a brick stove and glass windows;

Whereas, However, members of the church voted to sell the building at public auction and built another meeting place "one mile south of east" in 1843;

Whereas, The new church was built on the property where the present Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church is located, but a faulty foundation caused the first church building to be torn down and rebuilt in 1865:

Whereas, The second church building stood for more than 100 years until a tornado destroyed it in April 1974;

Whereas, A few of the current members have family ties to the original founders, with some having the same last name as the original founders; and

Whereas, The congregation of the Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church has gone to great lengths to preserve its history so that future members may understand its background more thoroughly: Therefore,

> Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives congratulates the Indian-Kentuck Baptist Church on the occasion of the 200th anniversary of its founding.

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SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to the pastor of the Indian-Kentucky Baptist Church.

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